



# Toxic Release Inventory Newsletter

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## WELCOME

Welcome to the first installment of IDEM's Toxic Release Inventory Newsletter. IDEM's Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance (OPPTA) has designed this periodic newsletter to bring news and information to Indiana's TRI reporters. Our goal is provide you with updates, hints, and tips making it easier to understand TRI reporting requirements and minimize the burden of reporting. If at anytime you would like your name removed from our contact list, please reply with a "please remove my name from the list" message.

## Planning for 2004 TRI Workshops

Help IDEM determine the content, location, and type of workshops we offer! Each year U.S. EPA and IDEM provide TRI informational training sessions. OPPTA TRI staff are currently planning 2004 workshops to be held this spring. This year, while developing the curriculum and siting the locations, we are looking for input from those attending. In order to provide you with the most convenient and effective training possible, we ask that you take the time to respond to the short survey at by February 16, 2004. If you have further questions or additional input, please feel free to contact Michelle Santarossa at (800) 988-7901 or e-mail at [msantaro@dem.state.in.us](mailto:msantaro@dem.state.in.us). We look forward to seeing you at the workshops this spring!

### Please complete our online TRI Workshop Survey

[www.in.gov/idem/oppta/tri/trisurvey.html](http://www.in.gov/idem/oppta/tri/trisurvey.html)

To have your voice heard, surveys must be completed by  
**February 16, 2004**

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## TRI Stakeholder Dialogue Comment Period Extended

On November 5, 2003, EPA initiated Phase II of the dialogue, soliciting comments on options for reducing burden associated with TRI reporting. The comment period has been extended until **February 4, 2004**. IDEM has prepared comments and encourages all TRI reporters and stakeholders to review the information and submit their own comments. Issues include:

- Higher reporting thresholds for small businesses,
- Higher reporting thresholds for class or categories of chemicals,
- Expanding Form A eligibility,
- Creating a new "no significant change" certification option,
- Use of Range reporting for Section 8,
- Other burden reduction options including changes to TRI-ME.

To view the paper, visit the U.S. EPA website at [www.epa.gov/tri/phase2/phase\\_2.html](http://www.epa.gov/tri/phase2/phase_2.html). Information about how to submit comments is also included.